

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE  
WORKERS' COMPENSATION ADVISORY BOARD  
100 W. RANDOLPH ST. 8<sup>TH</sup> FLOOR,  
CHAIRMAN'S CONFERENCE ROOM  
HELD ON AUGUST 24, 2011 2:00 PM**

*Workers' Compensation Board Members present:*

Chairman Weisz, *ex officio* member

*Employee Representatives*

Richard Aleksy	Corti, Aleksy & Castenada
Aaron Anderson	Painters District Council #30
Michael Carrigan	Illinois AFL-CIO
Phil Gruber	Int'l Association of Machinists and Aerospace Workers
Mark Prince (by teleconference)	Prince Law Firm
Sean Stott	Laborers' International Union

*Employer Representatives*

Mitchell Abbett (by teleconference)	Holten Meat, Inc.
John Carpenter	Chicagoland Chamber of Commerce
Mark Denzler (by teleconference)	Illinois Manufacturers' Association
David Halffield (by teleconference)	Sears Holding Management Company
William Lowry	Nyman, Bambrick, Kinzie & Lowry
David Vite	Illinois Retail Merchants' Association

*IWCC staff*

Darrell Widen, Assistant General Counsel

After a roll call, the Chairman recognized that a quorum was present and called the meeting to order.

The Chairman reminded the members of the Board that the purpose of the meeting was to continue to interview candidates to be recommended for appointment by the Governor as Arbitrators with the Commission. The Board members were presented with a list of potential interviewees. These candidates were applicants who were not currently serving as Arbitrators with the Commission. Michael Carrigan inquired the Chairman whether there was any indication when the Governor would act on the previous recommendations of the Board regarding reappointment of sitting Arbitrators. The Chairman indicated that

it was his impression that the Governor would make all appointments at one time and that he was aiming for appointment sometime in the middle of September.

There was general discussion on what types of questions would be posed to these candidates and it was agreed that Attorneys Richard Aleksy and William Lowry would each ask questions each to each candidate and that all board members could ask follow up or additional questions.

Thereafter, Richard Aleksy moved that the Board close the session for the interview process pursuant to Section 2a of the Open Meetings Act based on the exemptions specified under Sections 2(c)(1) and 2(c)(3) of the Act. William Lowry seconded the motion and the Board voted unanimously to move to closed session. Darrell Widen remained in the closed session to take minutes as Acting Secretary of the meeting.

There was a motion by William Lowry to arise from closed session. The motion was seconded by Richard Aleksy and the Board voted unanimously to return to open session.

The Board was informed that the Chairman would schedule interviews for September 2<sup>nd</sup> and September 7<sup>th</sup> based on feedback he received from the Board members and Governor's office. He also indicated that as soon as the Commission was provided documentation supporting applicants' candidacies, he would forward the names of these candidates on to the Board members. There was a motion to adjourn by David Vite, seconded by Michael Carrigan, and the Board voted unanimously to adjourn the meeting.